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Memorandum

To:

The Honorable Steven M. Costantino

Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte

Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From:

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Executive Director/State Budget Officer

Date:

January 12, 2010

Subject:

Amendments to Article 22 of FY 2010 Supplemental Appropriations

Act

The Governor requests that Article 22 of the FY 2010 revised Appropriations Act, entitled "Relating to Municipal Health Insurance Cost Sharing" be replaced with the attached version. The revised language clarifies when and to whom the minimum contribution of not less than twenty-five percent of dental and health care premium costs shall apply. This change is the result of an inquiry concerning the extension of contracts, and if that could be a loophole which would violate our intent.

If you have any questions regarding the amendments to Article 22, please feel free to call me at 222-6300 or Peder Schaefer at 222-7700.

RBG:sm 10-08 Attachment

Representative Robert A. Watson

Senator Dennis L. Algiere Sharon Reynolds Ferland

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ARTICLE 22 (REVISED)

RELATING TO MUNICIPAL HEALTH INSURANCE COST SHARING

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 28-7 of the General Laws entitled "Labor Relations Act" is hereby
2	amended by adding thereto the following section:
3	§ 28-7-49.1 Minimum Payment for Health Care Benefits No collective bargaining
4	agreement covering any group or groups of public school teachers, police officers, firefighters or
5	municipal employees of any city, town, school district, or fire district, and no modification or time
6	extension of any such collective bargaining agreement, shall provide for an employee contribution of less
7	than twenty-five percent (25%) of the premium costs of health care and dental benefits provided by the
8	employer.
9	SECTION 2. This article shall take effect upon passage and shall apply to all collective
10	bargaining agreements that are entered into thereafter.